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Burn Permits Suspended

Sacramento- As of 8:00 a.m. Saturday June 29, 2002, The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF) suspends all burning permits within State Responsibility Area (SRA). The official proclamation is attached.

This declaration rescinds all previously approved burn permits. It further requires that any planned burning site must be inspected and approved before a permit may be reissued. For instance property owners wishing to burn debris on their property are now prohibited from doing so unless they can prove that their project burn must be completed for health or safety reasons.

Campfires will be allowed in designated campgrounds with permission of the jurisdictional authority.

Anyone with questions about this declaration may contact their nearest CDF facility.

-Attachment-





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PROCLAMATION SUSPENDING BURNING PERMITS

On all State Responsibility Areas Within the State of California
Incident Number: CDF-143

Due to the menace of wildfires and their potential to destroy life and property, and utilizing the authority vested in me by Section 4423.1 of the Public Resources Code, and by Governor's Executive Order D-58-02, I hereby proclaim that all **BURNING PERMITS** within State Responsibility Areas in the State of California will be **SUSPENDED** beginning 08:00 hours June 29, 2002, and will continue in place until formally cancelled by me.

Past fire history combined with current and predicted fire weather, and other factors, have prompted me to proclaim the following types of burning restrictions and exceptions:

Restrictions:

All Project Burn Permits (LE-5's) must be inspected and approved before a permit can be reissued.

Exceptions:

- Campfires within organized campgrounds or on private property must be maintained in such a manner as to prevent the campfire from spreading to the wildland vegetation.
- Project Burn Permit (LE-5's) may be issued by the Department whenever it can be shown that burning or open flame is essential for reasons of agriculture emergencies, public health, safety, and welfare.

This PROCLAMATION is issued at Sacramento, California, this 27th day of June 2002.

By:	
·	Andrea E. Tuttle, Director
	California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

